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SUBJECT: BURUNDI CRISIS: POTENTIAL REGIONAL TENSIONS
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REF: (A) KIGALI 4089, (B) KIGALI R084

1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. THE MINISTER OF DEFENSE HAS ORDERED THE
GENDARMERIE TO PREVENT ANY PARAMILITARY RECRUITMENT
AND TRAINING, INCLUDING RECRUITMENT AND TRAINING BY
THE PALIPEHUTU. THIS DECISION WAS TAKEN 11/18 BY THE

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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MINISTER OF DEFENSE WITH THE CHIEFS OF STAFF OF THE GENDARMERIE AND THE ARMY. IT COMES ONE DAY AFTER A BURUNDI DELEGATION ASKED THE GOVERNMENT TO REFRAIN FROM AIDING THE PALIPEHUTU (REF A).

3. THE CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE GENDARMERIE, AUGUSTIN NDILYIMANA, WHO TOLD THE AMBASSADOR OF THE NEW ORDER, SAID THAT THREE PEOPLE HAVE ALREADY BEEN ARRESTED AND CHARGED WITH PROCURING WEAPONS FOR THE PALIPEHUTU (REF B). NDINDILYIMANA SAID THAT RWANDA COULD NOT AFFORD TO BECOME INVOLVED IN SUPPORTING THE PALIPEHUTU.

3. (C) MINISTER OF DEFENSE AUGUSTIN BIZIMANA SUBSEQUENTLY CONFIRMED TO AMBASSADOR IN THE PRESENCE OF MANY OF HIS SENIOR OFFICERS THAT THE GOR WOULD NOT PERMIT ANY PALIPEHUTU ELEMENTS TO CROSS THE FRONTIER INTO BURUNDI. AT THE SAME TIME HE EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT THE BURUNDI MILITARY WHICH HAVE BEEN OBSERVED NEAR THE BORDER IN BUGESERA, BUTARE, AND CYANGUGU PREFECTURES.

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